HB 412 -- GUBERNATORIAL INAUGURAL COMMITTEES

CO-SPONSORS: Goodman, Wasson, Behnen, Jetton, Crowell, Lembke (85), Lipke (157), Cunningham (86)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Rules by a vote of 11 to 0.

This bill requires a governor-elect to form a gubernatorial inaugural committee, which will be subject to all the requirements of the campaign finance disclosure laws. No public funds may be spent on a gubernatorial inaugural activity until the committee is formed, and any funds remaining in the committee's account will escheat to the state.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the inaugural activities of governors-elect should be subject to campaign finance disclosure laws, and the bill accomplishes that objective.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Goodman.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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